



RESERVE COMPONENT UPDATE

Professional Military Education

Soldier/Noncommissioned Officer Qualification Training. Five courses are instructed by five Total Army School System (TASS) chemical, biological, radiological, and nuclear (CBRN) battalions at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. Additional information (including dates, times, course requirements, and handouts) is available for the following courses (School Code R031) on the Army Training Requirements and Resources System at <https://www.atrrs.army.mil/>:

- **74D10 (Transition) Military Occupational Specialty (MOS) Course.** This is a four-phase course (formerly the Reclassification Course). Phase I is provided through distributed learning (dL). Soldiers who experience problems with Phase I should telephone the Army Correspondence Course Program at (800) 275-2872 (Option 2) or (757) 878-3322/3335; if no Army Correspondence Course Program representative is available, they should contact Ms. Karen Campbell, 3d Brigade (Chemical), at (860) 570-7117 or karen.a.campbell@usar.army.mil. Phases II–IV consist of resident training conducted at the U.S. Army Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear School (USACBRNS), Fort Leonard Wood; and Soldiers can now complete them consecutively. This course is expected to be reduced to three phases in mid-2009.
- **74D Basic Noncommissioned Officer Course (BNCOC).** This is a four-phase course. Phase I, which is common to all MOSs, is offered as resident training at various locations. Phases II–IV consist of 74D-specific resident training at USACBRNS.
- **74D Advanced Noncommissioned Officer Course (ANCOC).** This is a three-phase course. There is no dL portion; the entire course is provided through classroom instruction at USACBRNS.
- **CBRN Defense Course.** This course is conducted by TASS battalions at various locations.
- **Joint Biological Point Detection Systems Course.** This course (formerly the Biological Integrated Detection System Course) is conducted by TASS battalions at Fort McClellan, Alabama.

Note: The TASS Training Center is now operational at Fort Leonard Wood. The U.S. Army Reserve (USAR) plans to build an equipment set to alleviate availability issues.

Officer Training. The Reserve Component Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear Captain's Career Course (RC-CBRNC3) is a five-phase course. Phase requirements are currently undergoing revision; and until further notice, Phase I (also referred to as C5) is no longer available. Phase II, which is still required, is branch-specific and provided through dL. Soldiers who experience problems with Blackboard while completing Phase II should telephone the Blackboard Help Desk at (800) 275-2872 (Option 2). Phase IV is currently under development and not yet available. Phases III and V are two-week resident training sessions conducted at the USACBRNS. Phase III is branch-specific, focusing on radiological operations; live, toxic-agent training; hazmat awareness and operations level training and certification; and the basics of the Joint Warning and Reporting Network used within the Maneuver Control System. The successful completion of Phase II is a prerequisite for Phase III attendance. Phase V consists of a computer-aided exercise that includes additional Joint Warning and Reporting Network and Maneuver Control System training, culminating in a military decisionmaking process exercise using state-of-the-art battle simulation equipment. Phases III and V will be offered in July 2009.

If you are a field grade Reserve Component (RC) officer and want to transfer into the Chemical Corps, contact the USACBRNS Deputy Assistant Commandant–Reserve Component (DAC-RC) for specific branch qualification information. You should also plan to attend the Joint Senior Leader's Course at Fort Leonard Wood and complete the RC Senior Officer Course via dL. The Joint Senior Leader's Course is a four-day course that offers outstanding presentations; training at the Chemical, Biological, Radiological, and Nuclear Decontamination Training Facility; and the opportunity to interface with attendees from across the Services.

CBRN Emergency Response Force Package (CERFP), CBRN Consequence Management Response Force (CCMRF), and Civil Support Team (CST) Training

The following training is available for USAR and Army National Guard (ARNG) Soldiers:

- **Mass Casualty Decontamination Course.** The USACBRNS offers a ten-day Mass Casualty Decontamination Course (School Code 031, Course 4K-F25/494-F-30), which is appropriate for CERFP and domestic-response casualty decontamination team members. In addition, CERFP members may complete the class to obtain operations level training.

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- **CBRN Responder Course.** Anyone requiring hazmat technician level training may complete the CBRN Responder Course (School Code 031, Course 4K-F24/494-F29). The ten-day course is appropriate for CCMRF members requiring hazmat technician certification. Personnel may also complete the course to obtain hazmat operations level training.
- **Civil Support Skills Course.** This eight-week course (School Code 031, Course 4K-F20/494-28) is typically attended by ARNG CST members, but members of all Services and components may attend. Students receive advanced training in hazmat technician and incident command and CBRN survey, point reconnaissance, and sampling operations in support of an incident commander at a weapons of mass destruction site. The course provides training in command, control, and communications operations; personal protective equipment selection and use; and individual decontamination procedures. It also provides specialized training on a variety of military and commercial CBRN detection equipment and self-contained breathing apparatus certification. This course contains practical application and field training exercises and culminates with a situational training exercise.

Note: All students who successfully complete these courses are awarded certificates issued by the International Fire Service Accreditation Congress (IFSAC) and the Department of Defense (DOD). Additional copies of certificates can be obtained from <<http://www.dodffcert.com>>.

CBRN Brassard

The CBRN brassard is not a patch. It is authorized for wear by operational units dealing with weapons of mass destruction—civil support teams, CERFPs, CCMRFs, consequence management advisory teams, and chemical reconnaissance teams. Units deployed in support of the War on Terrorism are also authorized to wear the CBRN brassard. Soldiers who perform these types of missions are not authorized to wear the brassard while in temporary-duty status, including attendance at advanced individual training, the 74D10 (Transition) MOS Course, Noncommissioned Officer (NCO) Education System courses, and Officer Education System courses. Similarly, members of units that redeploy or are terminated from their missions must remove the brassard. For further clarification, contact Sergeant Major Gwendolyn Evans at (573) 563-7376 or <gwendolyn.evans@conus.army.mil>.

Free Online Hazmat Training

Soldiers who successfully complete the 74D10 (Transition) MOS Course, BNCOC, ANCOC, RC-CBRNC3 (Phase III), and functional courses (Mass Casualty Decontamination, Civil Support Skills, CBRN Dismounted Reconnaissance, CBRN Responder, and Technical Escort) are certified at the awareness, operations, or technician level depending on the course attended. Soldiers may prepare for and increase their success rate in these courses by completing online Hazmat Awareness Training and IFSAC certification at <<https://afcesa.csd.disa.mil>>. If there are any problems, contact the appropriate proponent NCO below.

USACBRNS RC Job Opportunities

Drilling individual mobilization augmentee (DIMA) positions. There are twenty authorized DIMA positions throughout USACBRNS, with twelve officer slots (O-3 through O-5) and eight noncommissioned officer slots (E-7 through E-9). Some of these slots are currently open. The mission is to expand the USACBRNS training base in the event of full mobilization. We currently support and train the RC-CBRNC3. Our goal is 100 percent manning with qualified instructors. If you are ready to join our team, contact us!

Instructors and writers. There are USACBRNS administrative active duty for operational support opportunities (ADOS) available for MOS 74-series RC instructors and writers in grades E-5 through E-7 and O-2 through O-4. If you are interested in these opportunities, contact the appropriate proponent NCO below.

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